President.—Is that so, Mr. Raman Menon?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—Yes, Sir.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—What was the reason why none was opened?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—For want of funds.

Allopathic Dispensaries in rural areas.

24. **Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) what is the principle applied in selecting places for opening Rural Allopathic Dispensaries;

(b) whether population of a village will be taken into consideration in this matter;

(c) what is the population of the villages in which Rural Allopathic Dispensaries have been opened in the last 15 months and what is the population of the Pazhanji village;

(d) whether the Government have considered the question of opening a Rural Allopathic Dispensary at Pazhanji?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—(a) The selection is made if the area is populous, and if it is not easily served by existing institutions, and if there is demand by and request from the people.

(b) Not the population of a village, but of a group of villages.

(c) No Rural Allopathic Dispensary has been opened till now. The population of Pazhanji village according to the last census is 4,338.

(d) No.

Increase of pay to subordinate officers.

25. **Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—Will the Government be pleased to state whether, following the assurance given at the last budget session, the Government have passed orders giving any extra allowance or increase of pay to the subordinate officials, and if no order has yet been passed after so long a time, what is the reason for this delay?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—No orders have been passed. Government are awaiting the report of the Special Finance Committee in the matter.

Flood Relief Fund.

26. **Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state what they have done with the balance of the Flood Relief Fund.

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—The Member is referred to the report of the Cochin Central Flood Relief Committee publish-

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ed in Part III of the Cochin Government Gazette, dated 17th Medam 1102.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Was not this amount subscribed by the public for giving relief to the flood-stricken people?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—What the object was will be found from the report published in the Gazette.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Then have the Committee any right to give it for other purposes?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—Government have no control over it.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Rs. 150 is the bonus to clerk, Mr. Sivaramakrishna Ayyar. Were there others also who were entrusted with the work?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—Mr. Parameswara Ayyar also is another clerk.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Was he also given any extra allowance during the time he was doing this work?

President.—No. None was allowed, I think.

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—None was allowed.

27. **Mr. K. S. Rama Ayyar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state the names of individuals to whom money was given by the Central Flood Relief Committee to be distributed as grants for house construction and other relief;

2. whether all these individuals have submitted their account and vouchers for the moneys received by them;

3. whether there are any among them who have not sent their accounts and vouchers;

4. if there are any, what are their names;

5. if there are any, what action has been taken against them;

6 what are the amounts standing against each?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—The Committee in question not being in existence at present, it is not possible to address the Committee for furnishing the particulars asked for.

Diwan's tour to Ootty.

28. **Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state the purpose of the Diwan's recent visit to Ootty and the amount of T. A. drawn and the number of days spent there?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—The visit was on Government purpose. More than this cannot be disclosed. Information in regard to the other matters mentioned in the question can be had from the following extract of the T. A. bill:—

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